

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully submits that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest “performing an inquiry; performing an inquiry scan for a random duration following said inquiry; establishing the connection after receiving a device address in response to said inquiry; and performing a page scan while performing said inquiry scan” as set forth in claim 1.

Applicant respectfully submits that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest “performing inquiries at random intervals; performing an inquiry scan and a page scan when not performing said inquiries and performing said page scan while performing said inquiry scan; upon receiving a first device address in response to one of said inquiries, paging said first device address to establish the connection; and upon receiving an inquiring device inquiry during said inquiry scan, responding with a second device address, and if said second device address is paged during said page scan, establishing the connection” as set forth in claim 7.

Applicant respectfully submits that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest “at the first wireless device, performing first inquiries at random intervals and performing first inquiry scans when not performing said first inquiries, performing first page scans while performing said first inquiry scans; at the second wireless device, performing second inquiries at random intervals and performing second inquiry scans when not performing said second inquiries, performing second page scans while performing said second inquiry scans; and establishing the connection after the first wireless device receiving one of said second inquiries during one of said first inquiry scan” as set forth in claim 13.

Applicant respectfully submits that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest “means for performing inquiries at random intervals; means for performing inquiry scans and page scans when not performing said inquiries; means for performing said page scans while performing said inquiry scans; and means for paging a responding device to establish the wireless link upon receiving a first device address

in response to one of said inquiries, wherein said first device address identifies said responding device” as set forth in claim 20.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner’s Statement might imply that the dependent claims are only allowable because they depend from allowed independent claims. However, the Examiner’s Statement does not discuss any of the other elements of the claimed subject matter, in particular, those additional elements recited in the dependent claims which may render the dependent claims independently allowable in view of the specification, prosecution file history and/or the documents made of record, either alone or in combination.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner’s Statement presents only some of the reasons for allowance of the claims, and that other reasons also exist for allowing the claims such as, for example, those set forth more completely in the record as a whole. This interpretation is consistent with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, which states that any statement of reasons for allowance “[i]s not intended to necessarily state all the reasons for allowance or all the details why claims are allowed and should not be written to specifically or impliedly state all the reasons for allowance are set forth.” M.P.E.P. § 1302.14.

Finally, Applicant agrees with the Examiner that claims 1-4, 6-15 and 17-23 are allowable in view of all of the documents made of record, either alone or in combination. However, Applicant does not necessarily agree or disagree with the Examiner’s characterization of the documents made of record, either alone or in combination, or the Examiner’s characterization of recited claim elements. In closing, Applicant respectfully reserves the right to argue the characterization of the documents of record, either alone or in combination, or the characterization of the recited claim elements should that need arise in the future.

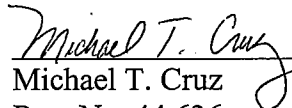
If the Examiner has questions, or if Applicant can be of assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicant’s representative at the below-listed telephone number.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, to charge any fee deficiencies or to credit any overpayments to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

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